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1. DEPARTMENT DOES NOT UNDERSTAND BASIS FOR IWATA'S OPINION CITED PARA 3 REFTEL THAT US MUST PAY FULL YEAR'S ASSESSMENT RATHER THAN PRO-RATA SHARE BASED ON NOVEMBER 6 TERMINATION DATE. ARTICLE 1 OF ILO CONSTITUTION PROVIDES THAT A NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL "SHALL TAKE EFFECT TWO YEARS AFTER THE DATE OF ITS RECEPTION BY THE DIRECTOR GENERAL, SUBJECT TO THE MEMBER CONFIDENTIAL

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HAVING AT THAT TIME FULFILLED ALL FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS ARISING FROM ITS MEMBERSHIP." WE INTERPRET THIS AS CLEARLY PROVIDING THAT THE US WILL CEASE TO INCUR ANY FURTHER ASSESSED FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS BEYOND THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF ITS WITHDRAWAL.

2. THE REQUIREMENT OF TWO-YEARS ADVANCE NOTICE OF WITH-

DRAWAL IS INTENDED TO PROVIDE A PERIOD IN WHICH THE ORGANIZATION MAY ANTICIPATE AND ADJUST TO ANY FINANCIAL OR OTHER DIFFICULTIES RESULTING FROME MEMBERS' WITHDRAWAL. IT WOULD NOT BE LOGICAL TO REQUIRE THAT A MEMBER ASSUME ANY ADDITIONAL OBLIGATION FOR PAYMENT OF FINANCIAL ASSESSMENTS.

3. PLEASE INFORM IWATA THAT THE US INTENDS TO PAY ITS
ASSESSMENT ONLY THROUGH NOVEMBER 6. WE HOPE THAT JAPAN
WILL NOT INITIATE OR SUPPORT ANY EFFORT AT THE GOVERNING
BODY SESSION TO REQUIRE THE US TO PAY DUES BEYOND THAT DATE.
SUCH A DEVELOPMENT WOULD BE EMBARRASSING AND WOULD HAVE A
NEGATIVE IMPACT ON EFFORTS TO CREATE CONDITIONS PERMITTING
THE US TO RESUME MEMBERSHIP IN THE ILO. VANCE

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